

NEW 10c REGULAR FOR CANADA

Sewing Machine Inventor Honored

Josef Madersperger, claimed by Austria to be the inventor of the sewing machine will be honored by Austria on October 2 with a commemorative stamp on the centenary of his death. Bright violet in color, this 60g stamp is the newest addition to the Famous Men series of Austria.



Madersperger was born October 6, 1768 at Kufstein (Tyrol), Austria. In 1807 he began the construction of a sewing machine which used a double-pointed needle with the eye in the center. Since it could use but 18 inches of thread at a time, when this was used, the needle had to be replaced with another threaded one. The sewing machine was patented by Madersperger in 1815 and in that same year he published an article describing it. Lacking financial support to supplement the hard work he expended to add improvements, he was forced to let his patent lapse in 1818.

After several other unsuccessful inventions, he died October 2, 1850, a pauper. His burial was in a mass grave in a potters field.

Madersperger has become far better known after his death, than any recognition he enjoyed during his life. His sewing machine is preserved and on display in the Technical Museum of Vienna. His birthplace of Kufstein, Vienna where he spent the greater part of his life, and Innsbruck have all named streets for him.

The two first named cities also have monuments of him.

The sewing machine invented by Elias Howe of the United States was completed in 1845. For the next nine years he lived in wretched poverty. Then with substantial backing he successfully completed a series of suits in courts of law which charged others with the infringement of his idea. Howe at the time of his death was a well to do man.

While the stamp will go on sale in Austrian post offices on September 27, its validity to pay postage fees will not occur until the Madersperger death centennial date of October 2.

Prof. Wilhelm Dachauer designed the stamp. Prof. Ferdinand Lorber engraved the die. Printing is by the Austrian State Printing works.

News of the stamp and the illustration were received from Edwin Mueller, New York City and the Austrian Postal Administration.



AN INDIAN WOMAN PREPARING BEAVER SKINS will occupy the design of a 10c stamp to be issued by Canada on October 2. It is intended to call attention to Canada's sizeable fur industry a lot of which is carried on in the "north country" and is practically the only wealth derived from this sparsely settled area. It will be printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company in panes of fifty stamps and will be placed on sale at all principal Canadian post offices on the first day of issue. Collectors will be able to have their first day covers serviced from the post office at Ottawa, Canada only.

Stamp Wise Yeggs Steal \$35,000 In Stamps From Carpenter Albums; Take Only High Catalog Material

Aaron E. Carpenter, executive, big game fisherman and philatelist was the victim of robbers who on or about August 30 removed some of his most valuable stamps from albums in a safe at his Germantown, Pa. Home. Value of the stolen stamps was placed at \$35,000 which figure does not include a loss of \$400 in cash and several pieces of costume jewelry which were in the "stamp den" safe at the same time. From all indications the burglars knew their stamps. That is indicated by the fact that they took only the valuable stamps and discarded albums with less costly material.

According to the Philadelphia Enquirer, the yeggs likewise ignored a select variety of liquors in the wine cellar and a wide assortment of valuable silverware. Presumably the cash and the costume jewelry were stolen simply because they were easily at hand when the safe was opened.

The robbery was discovered by two laundresses whom Carpenter had called from downtown when he returned to the city from a seashore vacation. They went to the house, were surprised to find the front door chained, but were able to let themselves in with a key to the back door. Then they discovered that a dining room window had been jimmied.

Upstairs the "stamp room" was a shambles. A small safe which had been left unlocked was still intact, but a larger, cement-backed safe was smashed to pieces. On the floor, together with discarded albums, papers and a length of rope, lay an assortment of nine implements used by the yeggs—pinch bars, crow bars and sledges.

Carpenter, notified by the two women, reported the robbery to Detective Frank Galen, of the 6th Detective Division at 22d st. and Hunting Park ave. Galen promptly called in Detective Andrew Kelleher, of the safe squad at detective headquarters.

A careful dusting of the tools and the wrecked safe yielded not so much as a single fingerprint, according to the detectives. A questioning of those about the neighborhood, however, drew information leading to the probability that the burglary was staged Wednesday night.

Detectives learned that a domestic in a nearby house heard noise in the Carpenter home about 10 P. M. Nothing had been broken into late Wednesday afternoon, when the Carpenter gardener had left, detectives were told.

Carpenter himself said he could not furnish anything like a complete inventory of the stamps stolen, nor did he know the value of the costume jewelry, he said.

LATE BULLETIN

Philadelphia police are questioning a paroled burglar, George Hreban, 34, no permanent address, in connection with the theft of \$35,000 worth of rare stamps from the home of Major Aaron E. Carpenter at 804 Westview avenue, Germantown, a suburb of Philadelphia, on Aug. 31.

Hreban was arrested in Philadelphia on Sept. 4 while watching a card game at Twenty-third and Chestnut streets. He had about 100 foreign and early U.S. stamps in his pockets when seized, according to police.

The suspect was paroled from Pennsylvania Eastern Penitentiary last April. The parole expires in 2002. Hreban said he found the stamps in a trash can, when questioned by police.

Cachet Announced For Dairy Cattle Congress

The Waterloo Chamber of Commerce, Waterloo, Iowa will sponsor a cachet during the 38th Annual Dairy Cattle Congress, the week of September 30 through October 7.

Envelopes on which are a name and address and a 3c stamp, and which include a sticker are to be sent to the Waterloo Chamber of Commerce, Waterloo, Iowa, attention of the Cachet Committee.

Covers will be cancelled on the opening date of the Congress unless received after that time.

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Orders for this stamp in selected mint condition are now being accepted at the Philatelic Agency, Financial Branch, Post Office Department, Ottawa, Canada at face value. Orders which include none of the other Canadian stamps will receive prior attention and will be shipped as soon after October 2 as possible.

It will not be necessary for United States or Canada collectors to include a sum to pay for postage and registration since the Canadian Post Office Department assumes this cost.

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Will Publicise Country's Large And Valuable Fur Industry; First Day Cover Service On October 2

Canada's fur industry is going to be brought to the attention of the world via a new 10c stamp to be issued October 2. It will replace the like denomination in the current regular postage series. In announcing the stamp, Canada's Postmaster General G. Edouard Rinfret stated that, "it was designed to represent the fur resources of Canada." Continuing, Mr. Rinfret added, "Canada holds a foremost place in the ranks of the world's fur producing countries. Raw furs are at present the only economic return from hundreds of thousands of square miles of the area of Canada and are an important product in all the provinces and territories. Fur was one of Canada's first natural resources to be exploited."

The new stamp depicts an Indian woman hanging up beaver skins mounted on stretchers to dry for the market. In the background appears an Indian wigwam, the normal shelter used by these natives in the sparsely settled areas of Canada.

The design was created by artists of the National Film Board of Canada and of the Canadian National Bank Note Company.

The new stamp will be in the same size as the current design which pictures Great Bear Lake in the Northwest Territories. It will be 1½ inches wide by 1 inch high and brown in color. Each post office size pane will contain fifty stamps.

All the principal Canadian post offices will have the stamps for sale on the first day of October 2, but collectors will be able to get first day cover service from the post office at Ottawa only.

In this instance, first day cover fans will get a break since the usual fee which the Canadian Post Office Department charges for the handling of such covers will be waived.

Persons wanting first day cancellations of the stamp are required to forward the self-addressed envelopes to the Postmaster, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. All covers must contain stuffers and must be sealed or have the flaps turned in. Covers are not to be folded when forwarding them to the Ottawa postmaster.

Prepared covers with the proper remittance of ten cents per stamp should be enclosed in a larger envelope addressed as suggested above and plainly marked, "First Day Of Issue"

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certified check. If cash is sent the letter should be registered. Postage stamps are not accepted as remittances.

Foreign Exchange Control Board Regulations require that payment by United States patrons be in United States funds at the current official rate of exchange. Bank drafts or certified checks must be in United States funds. However, United States postal money orders are payable in Canada in Canadian funds, and will be accepted at face value. If U.S. currency is sent the letter should be registered. United States postal notes cannot be accepted.

Patrons not residing in Canada or the United States are required to remit by International Postal Money Order and include in remittance the cost of return postage.

Cachet Will Mark 14th Forest Festival

At Elkins, W. Va., on October 5 to 7 the 14th Mountain State Forest Festival will be held and to give it philatelic recognition, the Seneca Stamp Club will sponsor a cachet. It will be reproduced on the prepared covers of collectors in a different color each of the three days, providing sufficient covers are sent.

Envelopes should have the names and addresses kept well to the right hand side, bear 3c worth of postage and contain a stuffer.

These are to be sent to the Seneca Stamp Club, c/o Leslie C. Roy, 1516 S. Davis Ave., Elkins, W. Va.

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'G' Identifies New Canadian Officials

In the very near future the official mail of Canada will bear stamps with a different overprint than those now used for that purpose.

For the past year, the Canadian Post Office Department has overprinted with the letters "O. H. M. S." those postage stamps that are sold to the government departments for use on official government mail. It has been found that these letters, which are an abbreviation for "On His Majesty's Service" are misleading as they are generally associated with the free use of the mails.

The use of the letters OHMS will be discontinued and they will be replaced by a single letter "G". Stamps overprinted with the letter G will be sold to Government Departments when the regular supply of those stamps overprinted becomes exhausted.

A quantity of the obsolete stamps overprinted "O. H. M. S." will be set aside for purchase from the Philatelic Section at face value and it is expected that they will be available from this source for some time.

Philatelic orders for those stamps overprinted with the letter "G" will now be accepted. Orders for these stamps will be shipped on 2nd October or as soon thereafter as possible. The postage stamps available overprinted with the letter "G" are those in current use, as follows:

1949, King George VI Issue, Revised Design 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c and 5c.

1946, Pictorial Issue—7c, 10c, 14c, 20c, \$1.00 and 10c Special Delivery.

1950, Pictorial Issue—50c
 The 10c new design postage stamp to be issued October 2 has not, to date, been overprinted. Do not include this stamp when placing orders for overprinted stamps.

Stamps overprinted "O. H. M. S." or "G" will only be sold when they are accompanied by a statement signed by the collector to the effect that the stamps will not be used for postage purposes. First Day Covers will not be serviced with stamps overprinted "G".

Oklahomans Will Meet In Annual Convention

The Oklahoma City Stamp Club will be host to the 18th Annual Convention and Stamp Exhibit of the Oklahoma Philatelic Society, to be held at the Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City on Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1.

The Convention Committee, under the general chairmanship of George Shirk, has been busy for several weeks making the necessary arrangements for the largest and best stamp exhibit ever held by the society.

Several outstanding collections will be on display, among them the nationally known collection of Cardinal Spellman, which has been exhibited in many cities. This exhibition is beautifully mounted on album pages that are highly ornate with hand drawn color illustrations.

Still another unusual display will be the frames of Mr. W. Ukalkaueller of Daytona Beach, Fla., showing his collection of Confederate Stamps and Covers.

Harry Weiss, editor of "Philatelic Gossip" of Holton, Kans., also a nationally known stamp expert, will give his lecture on Friday night, Sept. 29 on "Fakes and Forgeries."

The Annual banquet will be held on Saturday night, Sept. 30.

Oklahoma stamp collectors will enter more than 250 frames of their collections in competition for the several awards offered, and these will be displayed on the mezzanine floor of the Biltmore Hotel for the entire three days of the Convention.

There will be no admission charge to the exhibit and the general public is welcome to visit it, especially the junior boys and girls.

This will be State Fair week in Oklahoma City, and out-of-town visitors should make hotel reservations early. Write the Biltmore Hotel direct, or Mrs. W. H. Wilkins, 909 N.W. 20th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

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Scott Won't List Stolen Israel Imperfs

Scott Publications will not give catalog listing to the three imperforate stamps of Israel which have appeared imperforate as the result of theft of the incomplete sheets on the part of a high postal official.

The denominations were the 250, 500 and 1000 mills of the regular postage series.

In a letter dated August 30 to Otto S. Leib of New York City who brought the matter to his attention, Gordon Harmer, editor of the Scott Catalogs wrote:

"We are glad to have the information on the Israeli imperfs and would advise that we have no intention of listing these."

Information about these stolen stamps appeared in a news article on page one of the September 4 edition.

Hawaiian Centennial Exhibition, June 1951

Organized Hawaiian collectors are wasting little time in telling the world about the forthcoming exhibition at Honolulu and welcoming everyone to it. It is to be called the Hawaiian Centennial Exhibition, and is to be staged from June 27 to 30, 1951.

The block-long show rooms of the Schuman Carriage Company in downtown Honolulu have been made available to stage the largest philatelic exhibition ever held in Hawaii. Several hundred frames of stamps from collectors all over the world will be on display.

Officials of the American Philatelic Society and the Society of Philatelic Americans, the two largest and oldest national stamp organizations, have already indicated that regional conventions of their societies will be held in Honolulu in conjunction with this exhibition.

Many special events are being planned that will give this exhibition a true Hawaiian flavor never before enjoyed by any other similar philatelic gathering. No celebration would be complete without a luau (Hawaiian feast) and native hula dancing. Mainland visitors can be assured of the treat of their lives—philately, fun and frolic will be the passwords to the enchanting Paradise of the Pacific.

In 1851 the Kingdom of Hawaii issued its first postage stamps. The "Missionaries", as they were later called, are indeed quite rare with a total of less than two hundred copies of all four stamps known to be in existence today. The two-cent value, one of the classics of first issues and cataloging \$15,000.00, is the rarest stamp of this issue. Only sixteen copies are known to exist. At least two, and possibly others of these sixteen, will be exhibited in the Court of Honor at the exhibition held in commemoration of their 100th anniversary.

The Hawaiian Centennial Philatelic Exhibition will be sponsored by Hui Pooleka o Hawaii (Stamp Clubs of Hawaii) a federation of all stamp organizations in the Islands—Hawaiian Philatelic Society, Pacific Command Philatelic Society, Tan Shan Chapter of the China Stamp Society, Tripler Stamp Club, Hui Pooleka of Leahi and Kalaupapa Stamp Club.

General chairman of the affair is Major James T. DeVoss who will be assisted by a board on which will be representatives of other stamp clubs in the Islands. Secretary is Mrs. E. B. Layton, P. O. Box 2211, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Mrs. Layton will be pleased to help interested collectors to obtain further information about the show, travel or hotel accommodations, or information about the Hawaiian Islands for the use of those who might want to plan a tour after arrival there.

Cedar Falls, Iowa Offers Cachet For First Flight

On or about September 26, there will be a first flight cachet applied to the prepared envelopes of collectors at the Cedar Falls, Iowa post office.

Envelopes should be prepared with a name and address kept well to the right hand side, 6c worth of stamps and a staffer. These are then to be sent to the care of the postmaster, Cedar Falls, Iowa with the request that they be held for the flight and cachet.

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Cachets For Honolulu, Los Angeles Flight

The Post Office Department announced that philatelic service will be provided for covers carried by the first air mail flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, and return by United Airlines, Inc., over route FAM 30, expected to take place on or about October 2, 1950. The post offices of Honolulu and Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Air Mail Field will apply a special cachet to covers dispatched by the first flight.

Covers may be addressed in the usual manner to the persons who are to receive them and must bear postage at the air mail rate of six cents per ounce or fraction thereof and single postal or post cards at four cents each.

The double postal cards and double post cards intended for return reply purposes are not acceptable for first flight covers.

The covers should be sent under cover to the postmaster at Honolulu 2, Hawaii for dispatch by the eastbound flight or to the postmaster at Los Angeles, California, or District Superintendent, District 2, Postal Transportation Service, Los Angeles, California, for dispatch by the westbound flight. The covers will be backstamped upon receipt at the respective office and sent onward for delivery as addressed.

Covers or the flight should reach the post office or District Superintendent's office not later than September 30. Covers already postmarked at other post offices or air mail fields, or articles mailed in the usual manner will not receive a cachet.

Late October Dates For Saginaw Exhibition

A two day exhibition on October 28 and 29 has been announced by the Saginaw Valley Stamp Club to be held in the Hotel Bancroft, Saginaw, Michigan.

Present expectations are that there will be at least 150 frames of outstanding material in the exhibition. Several foreign entries from collectors in Great Britain and Africa have been received. Visiting collectors will have a banquet on Saturday evening which they can attend with the regular members of the club.

General chairman of the show is Charles A. Koehler, c/o Koehler Bros., 2000 Holland Ave., Saginaw, Mich.

Charles Gildart, 3711 Salem St., Midland, Mich. is exhibition chairman.

Valuable Information Free To Collectors

Now available to collectors is "Frank Warner's 1951 Market Report" an eight page brochure containing information about the trend of the stamp market today as Mr. Warner sees it. It is free on request to those who include a 3c stamp to cover the return postage cost. Address requests to Frank Warner, 109 Nassau St., New York 7, N. Y.

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BY CARL P. RUETH

Just about a month from now do you know what you will be in the midst of? A few of the smarties will, but the rest won't, and probably they won't care much either. But I believe that it would be nice if they did care!

From October 15 to 21 inclusive we will have our annual Letter Writing Week.

The public is generally jaded with the plethora of weeks dedicated to, for instance, "Be Kind To Stamp Collectors Week," "Eat More Ice Cream Week," "Kill That Bed Bug Week" and about 49 others. So the Letter Writing Week might be shrugged off by them without a second thought.

But like I mentioned above, I hope that this one catches their eye and their urge to action.

There is no argument about the fact that a friendly letter can give a tremendous amount of pleasure to the folks who haven't seen you or heard from you for a while. So why not sit right down and make a list of the persons whom you have neglected for too long a time via the mail, and start running off a few lines or a few pages to each.

You'll be happy to hear from them too.

And don't wait for Letter Writing Week before you get started — now is a dandy time for it!

1. What stamp bears the inscription, and very appropriate it is today, too, "Nations United For Victory?"

2. A stamp of 1946 bears the legend, "Honoring Those Who

Have Served". Can you name it?

Elzie Unthank of Dayton, Ohio thought that you readers would be interested in additional information about the Panama-Pacific commemoratives which is not generally known. In the September 4 column there was quite a discussion about these stamps, the 10c denomination in particular.

While the information he brings forth was printed in this column a number of months ago, perhaps some of you have forgotten it, while some might not have seen it then. It concerns the 2c denomination.

It pictures ships passing through one of the locks of the Panama Canal, the picture being inscribed, "Panama Canal." But the approximately first thirty million of these stamps bore an inscription under the picture, "Gatun Locks."

When the official bulletin was released by the Post Office Department describing the stamp, it read, "...The two cent stamp is red. It represents the Gatun Locks of the Panama Canal.... Beneath the picture are the words, 'Gatun Locks.'"

At some place in the series of five stamps, the Department wanted to include a view pertinent to some part of the Panama Canal. The 2c denomination was chosen to bear it. After some looking around it was decided to present a view of the Canal's Gatun Locks. Requests for pictures of the locks brought some unsatisfactory photographs from the Canal Zone.

To get a better picture to work from, Director Ralph of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing remembered that the War Department which is charged with the running of the Canal and the Canal Zone, had on exhibition model locks. These were filled with water, and toy ships floated in them, and then a photograph taken.

It was from the photograph that

the picture on the stamp was engraved. All would have been well except that some individual noticed that the picture on the stamp was inscribed Gatun Locks, when actually the Pedro Miguel Locks were shown. The model was patterned after these locks.

That happened after nearly thirty million stamps had been printed!

To save embarrassment officials of the Bureau and the Department decided to destroy all the stamps which bore the Gatun Locks inscription. This they did, and to date not one of the wrongly inscribed stamps has ever been found, although die proofs exist which have the error.

The printing plates were changed so that the inscription read, "Panama Canal" and that is how the stamps finally appeared.

Signs of the times.

In the August 1950 edition of the "USCS Log", official publication of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society, appeared an interesting notice. This group specializes in getting postmarks from ships, and since the location of ships might be of aid to enemy forces, the society has had to forego giving this information to members.

The editor advises that he has been in communication with the Navy Department about the publishing of such news and will or will not print it according to what he is told.

Most of you who have been collecting United States issues for any length of time know that there are different series of stamps which have identical designs on the front of them, but were printed by two different methods. They are in the regular postage category.

A question which appears from time to time, and which I have answered here several times, is how can you tell the flat press

printings from the rotaries easily — that is without the use of a perforation gauge, or a device to measure the size of the designs.

The rotaries are printed on a continuous sheet of paper which unwinds as blank paper on one end of the press and rolls up on the other with the stamp designs on one side and the gum on the other.

On the flat bed press, the stamps are printed on individual sheets of paper which are large enough to cover the four pane, 400 subject plate. As each sheet is printed it is stacked on top of the previously printed one. The gum is added in a later operation.

When the sheets are stacked one by one on top of each other, the ink is not altogether dry. So the bottom sheet prints, or offsets parts of its design which are still wet, on the back of the sheet placed on top of it.

It is these offset parts of the design in the color of the stamp which mark that stamp as coming from the flat press. So you see, all you need is a good light to work under, and you can sort the flats from the rotaries as fast as you can handle them.

As a word of caution, you won't be able to distinguish all of them in this manner. There will be about 1% doubtfuls to which you can apply a perforation gauge. The flats measure perf 11 on all four sides.

A well known divorce lawyer in a talkative mood told how he secured one of his wealthier and better paying clients. Sounds sort of far-fetched, but he claims it as true. It all came about when a group of men at the club were discussing the faith and trust of a good woman. The locale is Pennsylvania.

"Some months ago," began the lawyer, "I was approached by a rather newly wedded acquaintance who marveled at the diligence of her husband and the

stupidity of the Post Office Department."

"Isn't it simply incredible," she said, "how careless the post office people are?"

On inquiry as to the reason for that opinion, the lawyer was told: "Why for example take the case of Pete, my husband. There he is being kept hard at work in that nasty, dirty, old city of Altoona in the rolling mills, and for the past month every blessed letter I get is post-marked from Palm Beach, Florida."

Doggone that old Post Office Department anyhow!

1. The United Nations commemorative issue of 1943.

2. It is the stamp bearing a reproduction of the Honorable Discharge emblem issued in tribute to those who served in World War II. It was issued in 1946.

Westchester Countians Celebrate 25th Jubilee

On Friday evening September 15, the Westchester County Philatelic Society of White Plains, New York celebrated the 25th anniversary of the founding of the club. This club which met in the homes of members for the first few years after its inception now meets regularly at the White Plains YMCA.

A review of the club's progress through the years, some prominent speakers and other activities made the evening pass quickly for the assembled guests.

Current president of the club is Irving Levine. He is assisted by vice president Edwin DesVernin; treasurer Joseph Burrough and secretary Herbert Wills.

In 1924-26, French operators opened various services for airmail in Turkey. In 1947 Ankara became a stage in the U. S. A.—India line.

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These are about the cleanest of stamps in the world for any collector to collect. Their issue is under control of the Post Office Department at Washington. Regulations as to the sale and use of them are laid down by the Department. Their collection by collectors is forbidden in unused form, that is with the gum on them, for a precancel is unused as long as it has gum, even tho it has been precanceled. The fact that the stamps must be saved without gum is a blessing. One can hinge a block or single without gum and without fear of ruining this very valuable ingredient which with some early U. S. Stamps like the 10c 1847, worth about a hundred thousand dollars an ounce.

Of course some collectors have some stamps with gum. The only people entitled to such stamps are persons who have a precancel permit and buy them from the post office. Thus this person is entitled to have only the varieties that he has been able to buy at his post-office. Doubtless some few fastidious collectors may have collections or stamps with gum that they have obtained in some manner, altho illegally, for the Department frowns on this. Thus the approved stamps are the ones without gum which have presumably done postal duty, but any good precancel collector knows that the bulk of the current items are obtained and the gum washed from them. There has been some attempt made to have the Government permit sale of singles and blocks to collectors. We do not know if this has ever been granted, but see no harm in it as the stamps are only available for postage by permit holders and in towns which bear the precanceled name, thus if sale is permitted to the collector no harm could arise from it.

The next beautiful thing about Bureaus is that there are few errors. Any such are legitimate Department errors and as such command a healthy price and the number is never to great. They also bear plate numbers and if anyone ever had a complete collection of all plate numbers of all known Bureau Precancels it would be worth more than any similar collection of ordinary U. S. postage.

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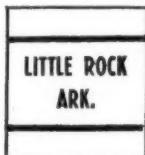
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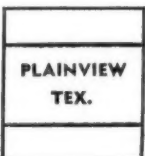
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EXPLANATION OF OUR OFFERS

I. The "J.W." album, created and published at great expense and actual loss, contains spaces for all Bureau Precancels issued from 1922 to 1938 ending just before the Presidentials. This period of 17 years represents, by far, the most important part of the hobby and embraces two definite groups: first, the stamps printed in the original distinct styles termed **OLD TYPES**; second, the issues prior to 1938 printed in the revised small capital type termed **NEW or STANDARD TYPES**, still in current use. This beautifully laid out album comes bound in red cloth at \$5, and blue cloth stubbed edition at \$7. Either will prove absolutely satisfactory and when present supply is exhausted will not be reprinted. Issues since 1938 may be collected in blank albums or 3-ring printed pages details upon request. **HOWEVER**, in beginning we wish to stress that **FIRST THINGS COME FIRST** and the 1922-1937 issues ARE THE **FOUNDATION OF A BUREAU PRECANCEL COLLECTION** which cannot be of real pleasure and importance unless this foundation is carefully laid, and the "J.W." album should house it.

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III. The Catalog explains thoroughly all the various phases of the Bureau Precancel field in a lengthy and carefully outlined foreword or preface. Since there have been few price changes in the past few years of the issues prior to 1938 we recommend the 1948 edition if you wish to economize on your purchase.

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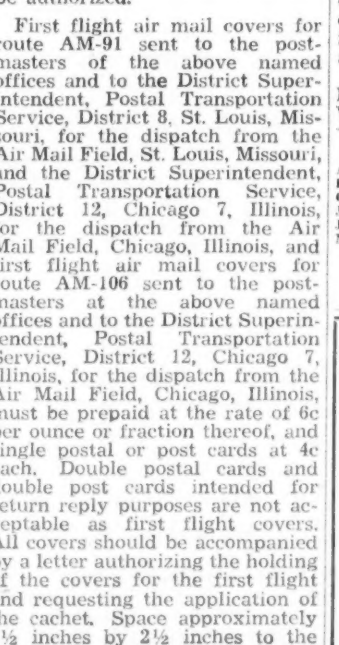
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NOTES from EIRE

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It is now some time since I was last able to send along notes. Unfortunately I have been ill for some months and in fact am writing these lines from "Blanket Street," where as far as present indications show, I am likely to remain for some time to come.

This I very much regret as it means that I am unable to deal with my correspondence with my many good friends which I have made through these columns, and I therefore must ask the indulgence of all who have not received the replies they might have been expecting from me. I sincerely hope that in due course I will be able to clear off all arrears.

In any case, during the past months, activities on the philatelic front in Ireland have been very quiet.

The set of stamps to be issued in commemoration of the Holy Year will appear in September. I do not know who was responsible for suggesting that the stamps would be issued in July, but I do know that such an early date was never officially intended. It was never proposed that they should appear before September and personally I would not be surprised if the issue date coincides with the start of one of the national pilgrimages from this country to Rome.

There will be three values in the new set, 2½d violet, 3d blue and 9d brown, and the design will show the famous bronze statue of St. Peter which was placed by St. Leo the Great in the original Basilica of St. Peter in A.D.455, and which is well-known to every pilgrim to Vatican City.

The stamps will carry the title "Poblacht na hEireann" (Republic of Ireland) in the Irish language only. They will also bear the words "Annus Sanctus" and the date "MCML" together with the Papal insignia.

I understand that the stamps are being printed "outside the country."

In my notes some time back I made some comments on what I considered to be the poor quality of the recent commemorative issues of Irish stamps. Quite recently there has been a much stronger criticism of the production of Irish stamps in one of the leading Irish Daily Newspapers. It suggested that the stamps were both poor in design and execution, and compared very badly with issues of such countries as Switzerland, France, Italy or Vatican City, or even a poor state such as Austria which produces stamps of a high level of art.

It further expressed the hope that the new Holy Year stamps to be issued would be worthy of their purpose. An appeal was made to the Minister of Posts to place our issues on a higher level, and suggested also that something might be done about the cancellations being used, which it stated are quite unnecessarily disfiguring and also to a great extent illegible.

Now I am quite in agreement with these last remarks myself. I get many complaints from correspondents who say that my philatelic frankings are ruined by the cancellations they receive in going through the post, but then I get many letters from the States which suffer the same brutal treatment, and I think that both our countries have much to learn from the Continent on the subject of postal cancellations. Especially from the Northern European countries all of whom seem to take a special pride in their postmarking, both for lightness and clarity. Having been interested in Gaelic Postmarks for a good while back, I have accumulated many thousands of these from all parts of Ireland, but the percentage of good clear legible postmarks is very, very low indeed, and in the case of some towns one never sees a decent postmark while the dates are often non-existent.

I was always under the impression that there was some legal obligation upon all Postal Departments to see that a clear indication of the Town, Date and Time of posting of all letter packets which they conveyed was clearly

shown! I wonder what percentage of the letters posted each day throughout the world would do so? Perhaps I am wrong in this belief.

Or has it gone by the board just like the standard colors for stamps of certain values which was originally laid down by the U.P.U.?

The "Eire Philatelic Association" (E.P.A.) for collectors of Irish stamps in the USA and elsewhere is rapidly gaining ground, and is going to do a big job. If you collect Irish stamps and are interested, contact me or W. P. Hickey, 94 Georgia Ave., Providence 5, R.I. and ask for details.

If you are writing to me for information on Irish matters, please do not forget postage (5c) or air-mail (15c), and please remit by mint U.S.A. stamps NOT coin.



Kenneth M. Gierhart
Baltimore, Ohio

BENTONVILLE OHIO

A little town in southwestern Ohio not too far from the Ohio River. Listed some weeks ago as authorized, has just been seen on the 1c Presidential. The user is a Garage and Service Station.

From reports there is not much else in the town except a grocery or two. The type is U-121 N.

YOUNGSTOWN OHIO.

Don't forget that there will be a Precancel Group holding a swapping and gab fest in conjunction with the Mahoning Valley Stamp Club's Annual Stamp Exhibition. Butler Art Institute, 524 Wick Ave. Youngstown.

Don't be bashful, ask for the Precancel room when you get to the exhibition. Then bust right in and make yourself known. You won't be a stranger long.

COLORED INKS.

In printed City Type Precancels colored inks are most fascinating. The rules of precancelling specify BLACK INK, but oftentimes urgent need etc. tended to suspend the rules and some very beautiful precancels were created.

Sure there were a few that some collector had something in but I think the finer ones occurred during the regular course of business.

I am thinking of the BLUE INK varieties of New Haven, Conn. Then there are the RED varieties of Bangor Me. Neither of these towns are scarce in the colored cancels but on the other hand are not real common.

Columbus, Ohio had an item or two in brown. There are numerous others that are listed here and there in the catalog. There are a few known on Presidential issues also. I believe there are enough to make a very fine showing for someone who would like to start a precancel collection and wants something of a limited field.

R.P.S. Opens Chicago Exhibition Season

The Roosevelt Philatelic Society will open the fall and winter season of stamp exhibitions in Chicagoland. The annual "Fall Classic" will be held on October 21 and 22 in their club rooms in the Grand Crossing Park fieldhouse, 77th St. and Ingleside Avenue.

Entries expected will number about 300 frames, all the property of the members. Suitable awards will be given to outstanding displays.

Applications for bourse tables are being accepted, and in keeping with the varied activities of the society, all rental received will be used for the purchase of philatelic material to further the work among Stamps for the World.

The popular "Gedunk Ritual" will take place on Saturday, October 21, at which time a set of mint "Zepps" and other philatelic gems will become the property of some lucky collectors. As usual, there will be no charge for admission.

Further details may be obtained from the exhibition chairman, Allen D. Parsons, 75 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, 1, Ill.

BRITISH EMPIRE CHATTER

by HENRY M. FRIEDMAN
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SEYCHELLES. A new definite issue of fifteen values has been ordered. The three designs in the current issue (Coco-de-Mer, Tortoise and Pirogue) are being retained with two new designs added (Sail-fish, and Map).

All designs will include a portrait of the King surmounted by the Royal Crown. A 10 Rupee value will be included. The values and description are as follows:

2c purple, Sail-fish.
3c orange, Tortoise.
9c gray-blue, Coco-de-Mer.
15c green, Pirogue.
18c maroon, Map.
20c yellow, Pirogue.
25c red, Tortoise.
40c blue, Sail-fish.
45c brown-purple, Pirogue.
50c mauve, Coco-de-Mer.
1R black, Map.
1.50Rs ultramarine, Coco-de-Mer.

2.25Rs olive, Tortoise.
5Rs brown-red, Map.
10Rs green, Sail-fish.

VIRGIN ISLANDS. (British)

There will be a special issue of four values to commemorate the restoration of a Legislative Council to the Presidency. The design which is common to all values will feature a map of the Virgin Islands and incorporate a portrait of H.M. the King surmounted by the Royal Crown, together with the inscription "Restoration of Legislative Council 1950."

The colors and values will be 6c yellow, 12c purple, 24c bistre and \$1.20 carmine.

NYASALAND. A special issue of four values has been ordered to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the Protectorate. The design which is common to all values features the present arms of the Protectorate and the original arms of British Central Africa and incorporates a portrait of the King surmounted by the Royal Crown.

The colors will be the same as for corresponding denominations in the current issue as follows, but with the arms in black. 1½d. grey, 3d. blue, 6d. violet and 5/ dark blue.

CAYMAN ISLANDS. In the issue of April 17, 1950, this column advised that a new definite pictorial set had been ordered and a complete description given. This new set of thirteen values will be released on October 2, 1950.

The values are as follows: ¼d, ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 6d, 9d, 1/-, 2/-, 5/- and 10/-.

The 9 pence is a new value for this colony.

Cayman Islands is a dependency of Jamaica, and if and when Jamaica changes to decimal currency, Cayman will also change. As this currency change is expected, the new Cayman Islands set may have a short life.

ST. KITTS. In connection with the forthcoming Anguilla Tercentenary issue previously announced there has been a change in colors. The overprint on the 1/ stamp will now be in red, and the overprints on the other values will be in black.



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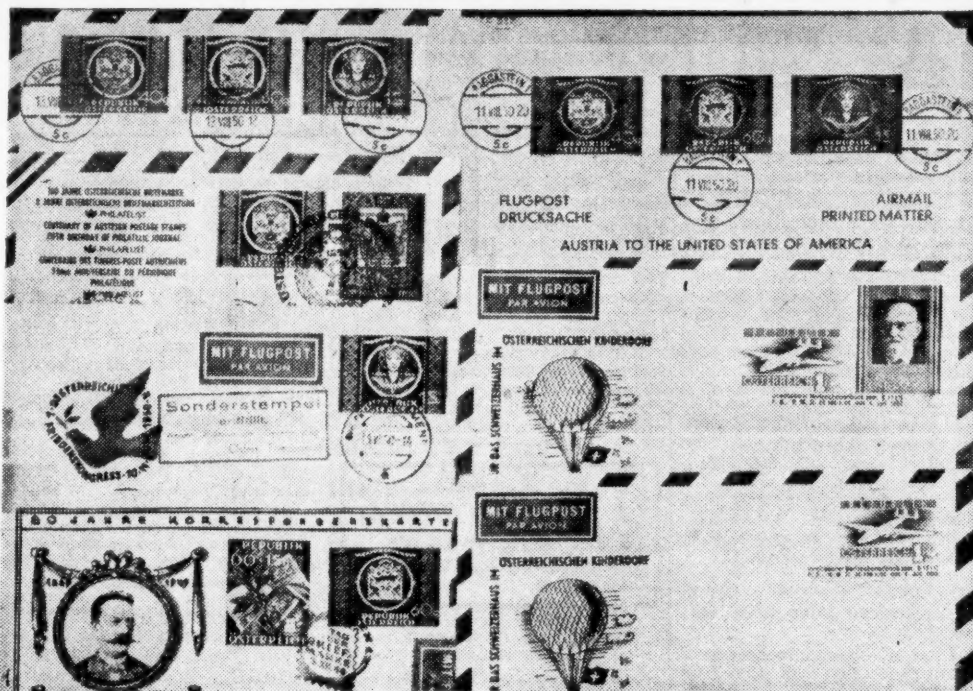
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Those Controversial UPU ITEMS OF AUSTRIA

By Martin Pleskow

From The September 1950 Bulletin Of The Austria Philatelic Society

"Onceuponatime" there was a poor, poor farmer who decided to sell his donkey, and so, he and his son started out for the city, leading the animal behind them. It wasn't long before they met someone on the road. "Why are you jerks such jerks?" greeted the stranger, it's hot, the road is dusty, but there you are, two donkeys leading a legitimate donkey. Why don't youse jerks ride him?" No sooner suggested than done. Soon thereafter they met someone else. "How crummy can two crums be?" greeted this one. "Two big crums like you piled on a poor beast. Why don't at least the little crum get off and lighten the poor creature's burden?" Realizing the mistake, the little crum got off. Naturally they soon met someone else. "How rotten can a rotter be?" was this one's pleasant greeting. "You big cluck riding the donkey and letting the little cluck follow you on the dusty road. Why not give the little cluck a break?" Seeing wisdom in them words, the two clucks changed positions.

Yes, you guessed it; they met someone else. As was the custom of the locality, he greeted them cheerily with "You little Shmo, aren't you ashamed to ride, while the big Shmo has to trail along?" Git fomm off'n the donkey. Anxious to do the right thing, big and little Shmo lifted the donkey to their shoulders and carried him to the city.

Surely, they must have met others along the road, but there must be angry voices saying, "Jessas, wann fangt der fader Kerl scho'an?" (Translated this means—Nu-u-u?)

The moral of the story is, you can't please everybody, including philatelists, OR, if you do what everybody tells you to do, you will wind up carrying the donkey, OR, in our case, the hobby horse will ride us, instead of vice versa.

For the past months there has been a flood of words, spoken and written; some reporting, others denouncing, accusations and condemnations, advertising and soliciting. All revolving around the "phony" U. P. U. miniature sheet, which is supposed to be official, semi-official, privately printed, semi-private, or Private-semi-official, all depending on the viewpoint, or ax to grind of the voicer. We don't propose to enter the controversy, we take no sides, we have no ax to grind.

We should like to clarify the situation, since an Austrian philatelic issue is the matter of discussion and dispute. The purpose of a society like ours is to present all the sides of a controversy, then let you decide what you want to do about it. Above all, we never want to be guilty of telling you to "git off'n anything."

It is our opinion that the controversy doesn't center so much around the validity of the issue, as around the fact that some people were caught with their philatelic pants down, or a slight color

change to bilious green brought about by envy.

The facts are clear. The Austrian government, like others, issued stamps to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union. There being no Austrian airmail service as such, the government wisely did not issue any airmail stamps. However, various foreign airlines carry postal matter originating in Austria. Therefore, the regular postage stamps are valid for airmail.

This would include the U. P. U. stamps. So we find the 40g value, together with the 1 S. (100 years Austrian stamps) on an airletter sheet. The 1 S. (UPU) on a special aircard, and the 60g. on a special card commemorating the 80th anniversary of the postal card. Then we have an airletter sheet bearing the three values of the UPU issue.

In the absence of any text on the cover, it is to be assumed that the government issued this in the regular manner, all the aforementioned stamps were printed by the lithographic process.

Then appeared the so-called miniature sheet which was made by cutting off the printed matter below the stamps. A special printing was ordered by private individuals. It bears the text "Flugpost, Drucksache" in German, plus the English equivalent "Airmail, Printed matter" and in English only "Austria to the United States of America."

There is one outstanding difference in the stamps, probably the first instance in Austrian philatelic history, namely the stamps are not lithographed like the regular UPU stamps, but they are engraved, making this for all purposes an entirely different stamp. What we choose to call it, a privately prepared engraved version of the official lithographed issue, or a fraud on collectors,

or an official private issue, or an official fraud, or what have you, is entirely beside the point. The fact remains, here is a set of stamps printed by the Austrian government, different from the regular issue.

It is generally conceded that these sheets were not available, as is only reasonable, to the general public. It is claimed that only one person received the total output and mailed all of them to one or two addresses in the U. S. At least ten of these were addressed to the writer, though unknown to him why, since they arrived without being ordered, solicited, or advised. The purpose might be to dispel the belief that all went to one address only. Whatever the purpose, the fact remains there is another set of stamps.

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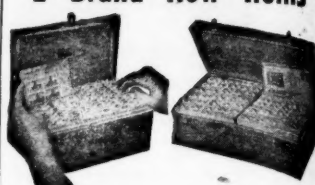
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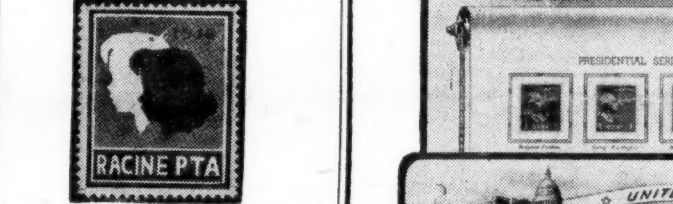
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COLOMBIA'S UPU ISSUE HAD ITS FIRST DAY AUGUST 22. It consists of seven stamps, six of which picture orchids, and two souvenir sheets which have a different half of the globe displayed on each. On the 1c brown is a Masdevallia Chimaera; the 2c purple, an Odontoglossum Crispum; on the 3c violet, a Cattelya Labiata Trianae; on the 4c green, a Masdevallia Nycterina; the 5c orange, a Cattelya Dowiana Aurea; 11c red, a Miltonia Vexillaria; the 18c ultramarine pictures the Santo Domingo Palace. The 50c regular postage souvenir sheet in orange yellow displays the European-African-Asian part of the globe, while the 50c gray airmail sheet pictures the western hemisphere part of the globe. The above sheet is shown through the courtesy of the Eleda Stamp Co., New York City.

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By Amy Ellen Davis
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In the column of August 21 (page 7) the wrong illustration was used for the seal produced for use by the Douglas County, Wis. Parent Teachers Association.
A reproduction of the actual seal is shown herewith.

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Stork Leaves Boy With The Daniel Vooy's
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Born at Tlach, Mexico in 1581 he left America in 1600 for Salamanca to study law. Completing his studies in 1608 he returned to Mexico in hope that he might secure a chair at the university. He failed in this project and in 1611 returned to Spain where he entered the service of the Marquis de Salinas.

Alarcon's first play in 1613, El Semejante de si Mismo, was unsuccessful and for the most part drew vituperative attention to him from contemporaries. Cristobal Suarez de Figueroa referred to him as a "monkey disguised as a man, an impudent hunchback, an impudent cripple." Abuse was also heaped upon him by Lope de Vega, Mendoza and others while Tirso de Molina extended his friendship and collaboration.

In 1626 he became a member of the Council of the Indies.
In 1628 he published a volume containing eight plays and in 1634 a volume containing additional plays.

While Alarcon's plays are more evenly balanced as a whole than his contemporaries, he lacked some of their outstanding success. His works are generally known for the excellence of their general composition and polished versification.

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AUSTRIA U. P. U.

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postal regulations to have any current stamp imprinted on stationery furnished to the government printing office. The mechanics are exactly the same as in the U. S., only the service rendered by the government is reversed. In the U. S. anybody is entitled to have envelopes of any current value imprinted with any desired name and address. There is only a slight charge above the face value of the stamps. Theoretically, U. S. printers ought to raise a terrific howl, since the government is taking business away from them.

There are some collectors who save envelopes with the various names and addresses (Corner cards). These envelopes are sold only to people who order them. Should there be an unreasonable demand for a particular name and address, the owner conceivably could demand and get ridiculous prices above the face value of such envelopes. Whether this is fantastic or not, depends on who you are on the road of our opening story. One thing ought to be clear. Such speculation and idiotic buying cannot possibly be the fault of the U. S. government.

Let us reverse the service and we come to the Austrian imprints. Instead of printing the name and address on uniform envelopes, as is being done here, the Austrian government does not sell stationery and printing to private individuals, in competition with private printers. Instead, the individual furnishes the government with the stationery UNTO WHICH the stamps are printed. If some text happens to be in the way, the stamp design is printed across it. Any current design can be ordered, singly or in combination with others. Two or more values can, and are, being printed in any position. BUT only in the appropriate individual colors.

The charge for such service is slightly above the face value of the stamps, and anybody can get it.

This has been done in Austria for about 50 years and many firms have availed themselves of this service. Since each firm used different stationery, the imprinted stamps are found on a variety of papers and colors. Many collectors include these envelopes in their albums, and there must be some suckers who have bought such "cut-outs" as proofs or essays. Is the government to be blamed for this? Many of the envelopes are quite interesting, some items are rare, some prettier than others, whether you ride the donkey, walk, or carry the donkey, should be up to you.

Nobody tells you, or ought to, that you must collect these entireties, or that you mustn't. If some enterprising person cuts out the imprinted stamp and offers it to you as a proof on peacockblue paper with silk threads, then you are as much to blame when you buy it; when you collect stamps, you ought to know what you want to collect, and once decided you should know what is what. If you don't you ought to be a member of a philatelic society where you always can and will get information and advice.

This happens to be the primary function of the Austria Philatelic Society. If you "collect" for investment or speculation, then you must be prepared to take the chances of gambling, of being taken for a sucker and in turn, look for other suckers. For such people, there are also clubs and elaborate publications, not necessarily ours. We are strictly philatelists—lovers of stamps—for the sake of the stamps themselves and not for their intrinsic values.

To get back to the UPU sheets. Seeing there was an interest in these "private" entireties; various societies in Austria had stamps printed on specially prepared stationery, usually in connection with some philatelic event. Strictly speaking such issues are not regularly issued government stamps, and never have been called such by anyone. Whether you want to collect them is up to you.

Though there is a minimum quantity which must be ordered, it is very easy to make rare "private" issues. The minimum quantity is ordered, which upon delivery is reduced by burning to ten, five, or even one copy, and presto, a rarity, or at least a unique item is created. There only remains the big question—SO WHAT? If you want this copy bad enough, you will pay whatever is asked for it. If you buy it for speculation, then be prepared not to find as big a sucker as you were.

But in all fairness, how can the Austrian government be blamed because you are a sucker? Who and what forces you to buy it? By the same token, why do some people become so presumptuous as to tell you NOT to buy it? Who decides what goes into a catalogue and why? A catalogue should be just that, a list showing something. If it is a list of government issues, then it ought to be included. If it is a list of "private" printings, it ought to show all of these. If a price value is given, it ought to be merely a guide. Must you pay what the catalogue says? Will you pay what the catalogue says, when you can buy for less?

Had these UPU sheets been offered for reasonable sums, it is our opinion, there would have been little, if any, controversy. It seems the question is not the validity of the issue, but the asking price for the sheets. Here is where the envy comes in. Very few people refuse to make an easy buck. The ones who holler the loudest are usually the ones who have been left out somewhere, or who are angry at not having thought of it in the first place.

Nothing wrong was done by anyone, the whole transaction was legitimate, if anybody else can order the same thing. There is a technical question, namely, will the Austrian government reprint the engraved UPU stamps for anybody who wants them? (This has been settled, since this particular item has been reprinted for general sale.)

If yes, then there is no basis for any arguments. If the entrepreneur found so many suckers who felt they missed something in life by not having the obviously not Officially issued UPU stamps, then we cannot help but admire his ability to size up a situation. All other arguments are based on envy, because there is no reason why you must have these stamps.

Stamp collecting should be a hobby, not a compulsion; you should do what you want, and when you want. A stamp is good when you want it, and not because we say it is, or isn't. There is no law saying that you must have everything with the name Austria on it.

After a certain point, collecting stamps becomes a matter of finances. Since you must stop somewhere, stop where it is most convenient for you, and not where you are told to stop. Forgetting the "private," how many of you have a WIPA sheet, the rose Mercury, the black newspaper tax stamp? Is your collection therefore inferior? Must you hide it in shame? Can't you derive untold satisfaction without it? If not, then "git from off'n the donkey." Why must your collection contain the airletter sheet? Because somebody said it must? And if you want the sheet, and are ready to pay \$3.00 for it, why shouldn't it be in your collection? Because somebody said it shouldn't? Just keep it up and soon you will be carrying the donkey.

In response to many protests, particularly from Austrian collectors who couldn't even be relieved of their \$3.00, and most of whom find life incomplete unless they possess every piece of paper with the name "Osterreich" on it, the Austrian government decided to appease them, or rather comply with their suggestions. All "private" entireties, immediately below the stamp design, bear the following legend: "Unmittelbarer Wertzeichenaufruck gem. 17 (1) / F. O. B. M. Z. 35.466-4/50 vom 4. Juli 1950" which means that the stamps printed were according to a certain paragraph (statute) of a certain date.

Just how does this change the character of the "privates"? It still is what it was before, except that the suckers who can read German won't believe that the inscription states this to be an official proof, or imperforate, which non-German reading suckers will surely fall for somewhere.

In closing we should like to remark that the engraved UPU sheets were not made to the order of Mr. A. Kosel of Vienna, who too often has unfairly been accused of manufacturing philatelic items, in some cases people biting the hand which fed them. All items made by Mr. Kosel were in connection with some philatelic event, and always in accordance with all regulations, always available to everyone who wanted to pay the usually light surcharge, or for a charitable institution—The Austrian Children's Village, near Salzburg. A noble undertaking, if not purely philatelic. Everybody is solicited to contribute, nobody is forced, nobody ever was accused of having an incomplete collection, because these items were missing.

Joseph F. Bush, secretary of the Austria Philatelic Society, c/o

Garfield Club, Williams College, Williamstown, Mass. has announced the intention of the Austrian government to reprint some of the items discussed, for sale to collectors at face value. When they reach the United States market, their selling prices will be but a fraction of the highly inflated previous quotations. Mr. Bush will be pleased to answer any questions about the Austria Philatelic Society for interested readers.

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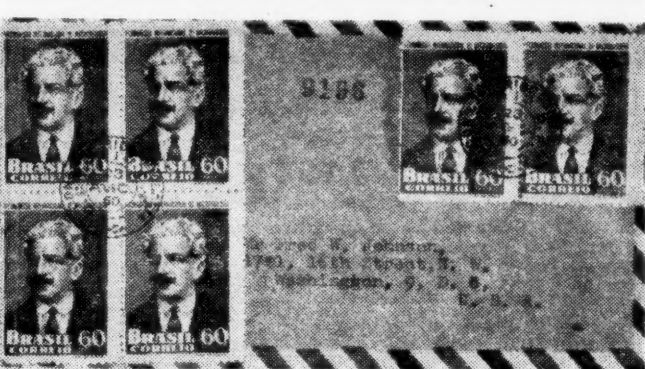
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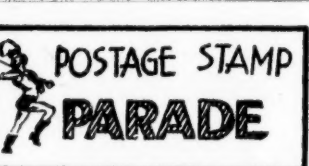
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FOR THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL MICRO-BIOLOGICAL CONGRESS which was held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil beginning on August 23, that country issued a commemorative stamp which pictured Dr. Oswaldo Cruz. Dr. Cruz, the 50th anniversary of whose death occurs at this time, was responsible for the elimination of yellow fever and mosquitos in Rio de Janeiro. Attending the Congress were scientists from all parts of the world who exchanged their findings and engaged in discussions of current micro-biological practice and theories. Orange brown in color, the stamp has a denomination of 60 centavos. The cover above was shown through the courtesy of Fred Johnson, Washington, D. C. and Manoel F. daMotta, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.



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CANADA—A 10 cent stamp honoring Oct. 2's fair trade will be issued Oct. 2 according to the announcement made by Postmaster General G. E. Rinfret. The design will depict an Indian woman hanging up beaver skins to dry for market, with an Indian wigwam in the background.

BRAZIL—Rio de Janeiro was cleansed of yellow fever early in the century by a Brazilian scientist and hygienist named Dr. Oswaldo Cruz. His picture appears on a 60c, red issued Aug. 20 to mark the 5th International Congress of Microbiology.



COLOMBIA—The U. P. U. set which has been reported as "indefinitely postponed" by the Aero Philatelist's News because about a half of the shipment "mysteriously" disappeared, has been received by the Tribune Stamp Co.

All but the highest value of the regular stamp part of the issue features some form of Colombian orchid, while the top stamp value shows a colonial structure in San Domingo. Values are: 1 centavo brown, 2c. violet, 3c. lilac, 4c. green, 5c. orange, and 11c. red. Then, there are two unusual souvenir sheets, presumably representing actual stamps, and featuring globes. The 50c. yellow postage (ordinary) sheet shows the eastern hemisphere, while the 50c. gray airmail sheet shows the western hemisphere.

COLOMBIA—This year Colombia is observing the fourth centenary of the establishment of the first Franciscan community in the country. On Sept. 27 a stamp is slated for release, featuring the transmission of the stigmata, Christ's wounds, to St. Francis of Assisi, founder of the Franciscan order.

CUBA—The N. Y. Journal-American reports that this year's annual set of fund raisers for the retirement of Communications Ministry employees will show the wreck of two trains and the portraits of two trainmen killed in a 1947 collision. Values will be 1c. green, 2c. red and 5c. blue.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—More detailed information of the 2nd International Students World Congress issue has come from the Post Office Department. Values, colors, subjects, designers and Engravers, in that order, are: 1.50Kcs green, "Liberation of Colonial Nations," Bohumila Dolezalkova and Jan Mracek; 2Kcs. brown, "Fight for Peace," Olga Ander-

sova and Ladislav Jirka; 3Kcs. red, "Democratization of Education," Kirina Adamcova and Bedrich Housa, and 5Kcs., blue-violet, "International Students' Solidarity," Jiri Mikula and Jindra Schmidt.

CONGO—The 50th anniversary of the founding of the "Special Committee of the Katanga," a rich southern province, will be marked by two stamps—3 francs dark blue and sky-blue and 6fr.50 black and red.

INDONESIA—On Aug. 17 the name of Indonesia was officially changed back to Republik Indonesia, according to J. & H. Stolow. On the same date, to mark the fifth anniversary of independence, three commemoratives were released, picturing the eagle from the coat of arms and bearing the date. Values are 15 sen red, 25 sen green and 1 rupiah brown.

NETHERLANDS—As of October 1 the sale of postage stamps with the image of H.R.H. Queen Wilhelmina, of the Hartz type, will be discontinued. These stamps will retain their postal validity until Sept. 30, 1951.

ITALY—Pierson Ostrow reports two vertical strips of six of the 4 lire stamp in which three stamps in each strip are almost without ink, one half inked, one very poorly inked and one properly printed. The same source reports that the Guido d'Arezzo commemorative will be valid for postage until June 30, 1951, and was adapted from the statue standing in the Portici degli Uffici (Official's Gate) in Florence.

NEW ZEALAND—A 1½d. provisional to cover increased postage rate for commercial papers was produced since supplies of the regular 1½d. could not be obtained from London in time. The provisional is being printed from the blank value duty plate (similar to Scott's PF5) in red and will be overprinted "1½d Postage" in black in bold type, in two lines. The stamp will be withdrawn from use as soon as stocks of the regular 1½d. arrive.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA—A 2d. stamp was issued Sept. 12 to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the occupation of the country, according to Whitfield King & Co. The design will feature portraits of Queen Wilhelmina and King George VI and the Southern Rhodesian coat-of-arms.

SPAIN—Four postage and four airmail stamps will appear Oct. 12 to mark the international stamp exhibition in Madrid (Oct. 12-22). The 50 and 75c. and 10 and 15 pesetas postage stamps will reproduce the 6 cuartos black stamp showing Isabella facing left, while the 1, 2.50, 20 and 25 pesetas airmails will show the 100 reales stamp of 1850 with Isabella looking right.

First Fall Meeting For WPS Of New York City

The Women's Philatelic Society of New York will hold its first meeting of the coming season on Thursday, September 28th, 1950, at eight o'clock, P. M. at the Hotel Statler, New York City.

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 994—Boy Scouts 3c, June 30
 995—Indiana 3c, July 4
 996—California, Sept. 9.

Note: The catalog numbers assigned to the stamps in the list above are correct in every respect with those which will be assigned in the Scott United States Specialized Catalog. Missing number 992 will be given to the Legislative stamp to be issued in November. It is the intention of the catalog publishers to keep the four stamps of the Washington Sesquicentennial series grouped as an issue, and they have therefore ignored the chronological order of their appearance. It is our policy to present exact and correct information at all times.

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GLASSINE ENVELOPE BARGAIN

We have just bought 360,000 glassine envelopes from a paper manufacturer who made an overrun of a big order. These envelopes are 4 7/8 inches wide by 3 3/4 inches high. Gummed flap on the top 4 7/8 inch edge. These envelopes are made of the most beautiful and thinnest and most transparent glassine we have seen in any glassine envelope for many years. They are so transparent that stamps stand up and shine through them. If you can use envelopes of this size for packets or otherwise you should stock up at once. The lot of 360,000 will not last long at the price we have put on them. Ordinarily an envelope like this would be priced at \$3.00 or more per 1000. But these envelopes were bought at a sacrifice price and we will sell them the same way. They are not of any of the standard sizes we stock regularly and we therefore want to clean them up at once, thus this low price. Order as many as you can use right NOW!!!

BOX OF 1000 ONLY \$2.00. Postage extra, mailing weight 4 pounds.

We have only 360 thousand to sell. If you want any, rush that order. We guarantee you have not seen such a beautiful clear transparent glassine envelope as these are for years. As long as they last you can have all you want. First come, first served.

NO DEALER DISCOUNT

Ohio Customers Include Sales Tax.

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SIDNEY, OHIO

HARRY RICKARD

60 West Arbor Street Long Beach 5, Calif.

17th Anniversary Sale

Offer good for 45 days or sold out

Full satisfaction guaranteed on every sale or money back.

All stamps are mint unless otherwise mentioned.

A discount of 5% allowed on orders of \$26.00 or more.

Orders under \$2 must include postage. Calif. buyers add sales tax. 10% down and \$10 per month will secure the stamps you want to buy on our lay away plan. Ask about it to build your collection for as little as \$2.00 per week.

FREE WITH PURCHASE Our new type price list with solid pages of illustrations of the stamps you get. It's different. Specify if you want U.S. or foreign. Without order, send stamp for copy.

DOLLAR SPECIALS

Mint set 575, 76, 77 Imperfs	1.00
Mint blocks 409, 481 Imperfs	1.00
Mint Flag set and #797 sheet	1.00
25 diff. mint commems-1946-1948	1.00
Five sheets 797 and one of 778	1.00
90 diff. used commems-1946-50	1.00
Paste up pr. 408E and 409E coll.	1.00
1000 diff. foreign stamps used	1.00

\$3.00 SPECIALS

V.F. mint commems 643-57 epl.	3.00
760-70 set Hor. prs. with vert. gut.	3.00
One ea. 750, 754 sheet (post. 8c)	3.00
Mint set V.F. Parks 740-756-65	3.00
Imp. Park plates 756-65	3.00
Centerline block 754 Mother Day	3.00
Centerline block 755 Wis. Imperf.	3.00
Mint blocks 408, 409, 81, 82, 576, 77	3.00
Plate blocks-16 diff. 1948-50	3.00
3000 diff. foreign stamps used	3.00

FAMOUS AMERICANS

Fine to superb mint set singles	5.50
Same in blocks of four	23.00
V.F. Superb singles 65-blocks	35.50
Fine used set 1-45-V.F. used	1.90
10% down, bal. monthly if necessary.	

FLAG STAMPS

Complete set mint 85-V.F. set	.95
Set blocks 3-40-V.F. blocks	3.75
Fine used set 70-V.F. used	1.90
Complete set Name blocks special	8.10

SOUVENIR SHEETS

For mounting them, use Protective Mts.	
Pkg. for all 9-75c-sample P. M. free.	

WHITE ACE NEEDS

366-Lincoln Imperf pair	5.00
371-Alaska Yukon Imperf pair	7.10
373-Hudson Fyler Imperf pair	9.95
411-2c Harding (old 612) pr.	1.85
456-Edison coll pr. 1.30-V.F. pr.	1.65
752-Newburg gutter pr. 43-V.F.	.80
753-Byrd pr with line 70-V.F.	.50
764-Mother Day Imperf pair	.26
765-Wisc. Imperf pair	.26
765-65 Park Imperf pair	.26
766-70 Five pr. gutters between	3.15
771-18c Imperf pair	1.60
837-5c Airmail coll pr. 16-V.F.	.20

NICE MINT ITEMS

369-4c Plate # strip 3-2.75-V.F.	3.50
392-1c Trans-Miss. A beauty	61.00
341-50c 1909 issue superb single	12.00
480-45c Marshall \$10.90-V.F.	13.00
483-3c Imperf superb single	.70
497-10c coll 48 (pr. dble) V.F.	.60
523-62 orange and blk V.F. copy	38.50
578-Superb single 1c pr. 1x10	6.25
578-Fine mint copy same	3.25
579-fine mint copy 2c perf 1x10	1.25
620-2c Norse arrow blk 2.00-V.F.	2.50
766-65 Park Imperf plate blocks	11.75
766-70 Five cross gutter blocks	11.00
833-62 Harding superb single	2.45
847-Plate number copy pr. 1.00	1.00
890A-1c def. sup. imperf between	13.50
901A-3c def. sup. imperf between	3.95
F1-10c Registry fine 1.90-V.F.	2.80
K7-14c Off in China V.F. sup.	2.15
K8-18c Offices in China superb	2.75
K11-24c Offices in China V.F. sup.	4.75
K18-82 Offices in China V.F.	6.95

MINT COMMEMORATIVES

Note on orders for blocks totaling over \$1.00 deduct 5% discount (no other dis.)

	Singles	fine v.f.	fine v.f.
210-30c Columbian	8.50		
240-50c Columbian	12.75		
285-1c Trans Miss	.95	3.25	4.85
288-3c Trans Miss	.49	1.95	2.75
294-1c Pan Amer.	.44	1.50	2.25
295-2c Pan Amer.	.82	2.75	11.50
296-4c Pan Amer.	1.39	2.75	11.50
297-2c Lincoln	.20	.30	1.00
298-3c Imperf	2.50	2.60	10.50
370-2c Alaska Yuk.	.46	.60	2.00
371-2c Imperf	3.50	3.60	14.50
373-2c Bud Fulton	2.75	2.95	11.25
397-1c Pan Pacific	.32	.45	1.15
409a-10c Pacif	5.50	8.20	37.00
548-1c Pilgrim	.20	.60	1.25
549-2c Pilgrim	.35	1.25	2.25
610-2c Hard. flat	.07	.11	.27
611-2c Hard. imperf	.90	.90	3.50
612-2c Hard. perf. 10 14.00	2.10	5.95	8.75
614-1c Walloon	.13	.17	.64
615-2c Walloon	.22	.28	.83
617-1c Lexington	.18	.21	1.00
618-2c Lexington	.29	.35	1.25
619-5c Lexington	1.30	1.45	5.50
620-2c Norse	.30	.30	1.20
621-5c Norse	3.15	2.50	10.50
627-3c Sequi	.18	.22	1.00
628-5c Erickson	.60	.75	2.20
629-2c White Plains	.15	.19	.55
643-2c Vermont	.11	.14	.50
644-2c Burgoyne	.26	.32	1.25
645-2c Val. Forge	.09	.11	.32
646-2c Molly Pitt	.09	.14	.38
647-2c Hawaii	.20	.30	.80
648-2c Aeronaut	.10	.12	.55
650-5c Aeronaut	.40	.49	1.88
651-2c Clark	.08	.11	.40
654-2c Edison flat	.08	.10	.35
655-2c Edison rot.	.08	.11	.34
656-2c Edison coll	.63	.80	1.30
657-2c Sullivan	.07	.08	.27
659-2c Wayne	.11	.13	.47
681-2c Ohio Canal	.07	.08	.24
682-2c Mass. Bay	.06	.07	.22
683-2c Charleston	.12	.14	.48
684-2c Bradlock	.07	.08	.27
689-2c St. Paul	.08	.10	.30
690-2c Pulaski	.05	.06	.19
702-2c Red Cross	.04	.05	.17
703-2c Yorktown	.06	.07	.23

FLAG STAMPS

	Single Block
909-5c Poland	.12 .48
910-5c Czechoslovakia	.07 .28
911-5c Norway	.07 .25
912-5c Luxembourg	.06 .25
913-5c Netherlands	.06 .25
914-5c Belgium	.07 .25
915-5c France	.07 .25
916-5c Greece	.08 .30
917-5c Yugoslavia	.08 .30
918-5c Albania	.09 .33
919-5c Austria	.09 .33
920-5c Denmark	.09 .33
921-5c Korea	.11 .45

	Single Block
922-3c Railroad	.05 .19
923-3c Steamship	.05 .17
924-3c Telegraph	.04 .16
925-3c Corregidor	.06 .23
926-3c Movie	.06 .23
927-3c Florida	.05 .16
928-5c United Nations	.06 .23
929-3c Iwo Jima	.04 .16
930-1c Roosevelt	.02 .07
931-2c Roosevelt	.03 .12
932-3c Roosevelt	.04 .15
933-3c Roosevelt	.07 .24

ALL LATER 3c Stamps are 4c fine and 5c v.f. per copy-block. Names single Oregon, Palomar, Ruf Riders, Stone and Bliss are 5c fine and 6c v.f. See Pl. block list for identification. 958-5c Swedish Pioneers .07 .35

PLATE BLOCKS

Note the new lower prices in effect.

SPECIAL-FLAG SET OF NAME BLOCKS comp. set fine \$9.10-v.f. set .88

Comp. set	fine	v.f.	set	v.f.
86-2c	Trans-Mississippi	.....		4.00
373-2c	Hudson F. imperf	.....		18.75 20.00
401-1c	Pan Pac. perf 10	.....		6.35 8.95
402-1c	Century of Progress	.....		14.12 14.12
612-2c	Harding perf 10	.....		11.75 14.12
619-5c	Lexington	.....		11.00
620-2c	Norse American	.....		6.50 8.00
627-2c	Sequoiennial	.....		2.40 3.00
628-5c	Erickson	.....		8.95 10.95
644-2c	Burgoyne	.....		2.20 2.60
645-2c	Molly Fitcher	.....		1.75 2.00
646-2c	Hawaii	.....		3.00
648-5c	Hawaii	.....		5.00
649-2c	Aeronautic conf.	.....		.80
650-5c	Aeronautic conf.	.....		3.60 4.25
651-2c	Clark	.....		.80 .98
654-2c	Edison flat plate	.....		1.60 1.75
655-2c	Edison rotary	.....		1.60 1.90
657-2c	Sullivan	.....		1.05 1.30
680-2c	Wayne	.....		1.48 1.80
682-3c	Charleston	.....		3.65 3.15
683-2c	Bradlock	.....		1.75 2.00
684-2c	Pulaski	.....		.80 1.00
689-2c	Red Cross	.....		.36 .42
690-5c	Wash Bi-Cent	.....		.89 1.15
1-6c	Wash Bi-Cent	.....		2.75
5-10c	Washington Bi-Cent	.....		5.00 6.50
6-2c	Lake Placid	.....		1.25 1.48
6-2c	Pulaski	.....		.40 .55
4-3c	Olympics	.....		1.20 1.30
4-3c	Wm. Penn.	.....		.89 .99